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In re application of:  
Sachse et al            DECISION ON PETITION  
Serial No.: 09/471,777  
Filed: December 23, 1999  
For: SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR  
CONTROLLING DATA COLLECTION, MANIPULATION AND STORAGE  
ON A NETWORK WITH SERVICE ASSURANCE CAPABILITIES

This is a decision on the petition received by fax on January 9, 2003, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed March 2, 2000. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned May 3, 2000. The Notice of Abandonment was mailed on August 13, 2001.

On January 9, 2003, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgement that the attorney responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on May 30, 2000.

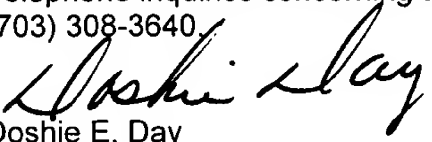
The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on May 30, 2000.

The petition is hereby Granted.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 2772.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

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